

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Pending Claims

Claims 15-20, 22-25, 27, and 28 are currently pending.

Reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Discussion of the Claim Amendments

Claims 29-31 have been canceled. Claim 16 has been amended to correct an inadvertently superscripted comma. Support for this amendment can be found in the English language translation of the present specification at, e.g., page 5, line 20. Claim 17 has been amended to recite "Q is sulphur" instead of "Q a sulphur" so as to correct an obvious typographical error. Claims 17 and 18 have been amended to capitalize "Z" to match formula (II). Claims 29-31 have been canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein. No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

Summary of the Office Action

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the Office's indication that claims 15-20, 22-25, 27, and 28 have been allowed.

The Office further indicates that the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action dated July 31, 2008 has been withdrawn, and that claims 29-31, withdrawn in response to the restriction requirement, have been rejoined and examined for patentability. The Office rejects claims 29-31 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

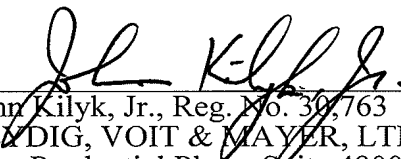
Discussion of the Section 112, First Paragraph, Rejection

As noted above, claims 29-31 have been canceled. Accordingly, the Section 112, first paragraph, rejection of claims 29-31 has been rendered moot and should be withdrawn.

Conclusion

Applicants respectfully submit that the patent application is in condition for allowance. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,



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